Docket No.: 070456-0109 PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277

Kikuo MAEDA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 2527

Application No.: 10/574,779 : Group Art Unit: 1793

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Filed: April 06, 2006 : Examiner: Jie Yang

For: MANUFACTURING METHOD OF THIN COMPONENT, BEARING RING, THRUST

NEEDLE ROLLER BEARING, MANUFACTURING METHOD OF ROLLING BEARING RING, ROLLING BEARING RING, AND ROLLING BEARING

## **AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.114**

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2009, wherein a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on April 22, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.